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SUBJ: GATT CONSULTATIVE GROUP OF 18

AT GATT DG LONG'S INFORMAL MEETING JULY 4 "CONSULTATIVE GROUP OF 18" WAS UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED AS NAME FOR NEW GROUP. PARTICIPANTS ALSO CONFIRMED TERMS OF REFERENCE CONTAINED L/4189 WITH ONE AMENDMENT. BRAZIL REQUESTED THAT SENTENCE READING "IN THE PURSUIT OF ITS TASK, THE GROUP SHALL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ECONOMIES OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND THEIR PROBLEMS." SHOULD BE AMENDED TO INSERT THE WORDS "AND REQUIREMENTS" AFTER "CHARACTERISTICS". WE SUGGESTED "TRADE INTERESTS" WOULD BE BETTER TERM THAN REQUIREMENTS, BUT ALL OTHER MEMBERS WERE WILLING TO ACCEPT BRAZILIAN PROPOSAL AS PROPOSED SO WE DID NOT PURSUE MATTER. CONCERNING MEMBERSHIP, NEW ZEALAND AMBASSADOR EASTERBROOK-SMITH INFORMED US AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND PROBLEM HAS BEEN SATISFACTORILY RESOLVED. LONG WAS UNABLE TO

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ANNOUNCE FINAL LIST OF MEMBERS DURING MEETING,
HOWEVER, BECAUSE ALL GROUPS HAVE NOT YET INFORMED HIM

OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES. HE EXPRESSED HOPE HE WOULD
BE ABLE TO PUT TOGETHER FINAL LIST JULY 7 AND WILL
THEN CIRCULATE REVISED VERSION L/4189. CONCERNING
CHAIRMANSHIP, HE SUGGESTED BEST COURSE WOULD BE TO
ALLOW GROUP TO PICK ITS OWN CHAIRMAN. FYI. PATTERSON
EXPRESSED VIEW TO US THIS WILL RESULT IN LONG'S
SELECTION.DALE

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